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SENATE BILL 1960

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 47, Chapter 18 and Title 65, Chapter 5, Part 2, relative to providers of broadband services.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 47-18-104(b), is amended by adding the following as a new subdivision:

(52) Failing of a provider of broadband services, as defined in § 65-5-202, at the time of entering an agreement with a consumer for the provision of broadband services and in a manner deemed appropriate by the provider, to notify the consumer that parental control protections, such as computer hardware, software, or filtering services, are commercially available that may assist the consumer in limiting access to material that is harmful to minors. The notice shall identify, or provide the consumer with access to information identifying, current providers of parental control protections.

SECTION 2. If any provision of this act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, then the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the act that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to that end the provisions of this act shall be severable.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect January 1, 2019, the public welfare requiring it, and shall apply to contracts entered into on or after that date.